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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION REPORT: PRESIDENT'S TRIP

1. COVERAGE JUNE 25 AND 26 MODERATELY EXTENSIVE, CONSISTING MOSTLY OF BACKGROUND AND SPECULATION OVER WHAT WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED. TRIP OVERSHADOWED BY PRESS AND TV PLAY ON CURRENT TITO VISIT TO GERMANY.

2. POLITIKA'S MOSCOW CORRESPONDENT BAJALSKI IN PAGE ONE COLUMN AND HALF DISPATCH NOTES SOVIET LEADERS WILL DO EVERYTHING REALISTICALLY POSSIBLE TO INSURE "NIXON NOT RETURN HOME WITH FEELING OUTING DID NOT SUCCEED" BUT "SUBSTANTIAL SOVIET CONCESSIONS OUT OF QUESTION" IN STRATEGIC ARMS OR EMIGRATION, ALTHOUGH "EQUALLY OUT OF QUESTION IS SOVIET AGGRAVATION THESE DELICATE QUESTIONS." MOSCOW MUCH CALMER OVER VISIT THAN TWO YEARS AGO, HE REPORTS.

PAGE FIVE STORY BY N.Y. POLITIKA CORRESPONDENT GUSTINCIC SUMMARIZES KISSINGER "ADMISSION" ACCORDS NOT YET COMPOSED, SEN. JACKSON NONACCEPTANCE KISSINGER DENIAL ON "SECRET AMENDMENTS," AND PRESIDENT'S INTENTION TO SIGN NEW NATO CHARTER IN BRUSSELS. GUSTINCIC USED SIMILAR THEME IN DISCUSSION PRESIDENT'S TRIP ON FIRST YUGOSLAV USE SATELLITE TRANSMISSION JUNE 25 THROUGH NEW IVANJICA GROUND STATION. THREE GRAPHS GUSTINCIC DISPATCH ONLY STORY ON TRIP IN BLACK TANJUG JUNE 25 AND 26, BUT TITO'S GERMAN UNCLASSIFIED

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VISIT GARNERS 16 PAGES, JUNE 25.

POLITIKA PAGE THREE JUNE 25 CARRIED BAJALSKI SPECULATIVE STORY FROM MOSCOW ON WHAT ACCORDS MIGHT BE SIGNED AND ANOTHER ARTICLE SAME PAGE GAVE FULL COVERAGE KISSINGER JUNE 24 PRESS CONFERENCE.

3. BORBA'S WASHINGTON CORR BOGUNOVIC JUNE 26 REPORTS SPECULATION IN WASHINGTON OVER "WHAT U.S. PRESIDENT IS TAKING WITH HIM AND WHAT DOES HE WANT TO ACCOMPLISH," AND WRITES THERE ARE "A LOT OF QUESTIONS, LITTLE EXPECTATIONS." BORBA EDITORIAL BY VLADO TESLIC JUNE 26 STRESSES PRESIDENT EXPECTS NATO SIGNING TO STRENGTHEN DOMESTIC POSITION AND NEGOTIATIONS WITH SOVIETS, BUT NOTES "THIS NOT QUITE CERTAIN DUE TO LOSS STRATEGIC SIGNIFICANCE ATLANTIC PACT." BORBA'S MOSCOW MAN SLOBODAN VUJICA JUNE 25 WRITES THAT NIXON-BREZHNEV MEETING VIEWED THERE AS "REGULAR WORKING MEETING," IN STORY HEADLINED "OPTIMISM AND REALISM" ON PAGE ONE. PAPER ALSO REPORTS KISSINGER PRESS CONFERENCE IN MEDIUM SIZE PAGE TWO STORY.
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